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THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE ITALIAN POSITION

ENEMY ATTEMPTING A FLANKING
MOVEMENT.

Paris, Nov. 5.

It appears from an Italian com-
munique that the Austrians and
Germans are attempting to carry out
a flanking movement on the upper
course of the Tagliamento and in
the mountains to the north. If the
river were crossed the Italians would
have to retire.

The opinion is expressed that the
Austro-Germans will more probably
entrench than accept battle.

**BRITISH AND FRENCH PREMIERS
GO TO ITALY.**

Paris, Nov. 5.

Mr. Lloyd George has arrived here
and proceeds, with M. Poincaré, to
Italy to-day.

The Press Bureau states that
General Smuts, General Sir William
Robertson, General Wilson, General
Maurice and other officers are accom-
panying Mr. Lloyd George to Italy.

**M. VENIZELOS AND THE ITALIAN
SITUATION.**

Rome, Nov. 4.

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THE WESTERN FRONT.

London, Nov. 5.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig
reports:—

The Irish Fusiliers had a success-
ful raid last night to the south-west
of Havincourt.

Two attempted raids by the enemy
in the neighbourhood of Monchy-le-
Preux were repulsed.

Small parties of our troops cap-
tured strong points, one to the east
of Broodseinde, the other south-
eastward of Poelcapelle.

**CHINESE MILITARY MISSION AT
THE FRONT.**

London, Nov. 5.

Reuter's Correspondent at Head-
quarters reports as interesting at the
present juncture that Major-General
Koan Hung Tcheng and five Chinese
Staff Officers have visited the West
Front to study the situation and cur-
rent war methods.

**CONGRATULATIONS ON THE
CAPTURE OF BEERSHEBA.**

Cairo, Nov. 5.

The Sultan of Egypt and General
Sir Stanley Maude have warmly
congratulated General Allenby on
his brilliant capture of Beersheba.

General Allenby replied to General
Maude: "I hope our efforts will
assist yours and that our co-opera-
tion will shorten the road to victory."

SPAIN AND THE WAR.

Madrid, Nov. 4.

The Government has received the
news that the Spanish army has
maintained its position.

**KILLING PRUSSIANISM IN
GERMANY.**

"NO SPARK OF THE OLD PROUD
PRUSSIAN SPIRIT LEFT."

London, Nov. 5.

The Reactionary Prussians are
bitterly disappointed at even the
small concession to Parliamentary
ideas embodied in Count Hertling's
appointment as Chancellor.

The Rheinische Westfälische
Zeitung declares that Count Hertling
is ignorant of foreign countries, a
supporter of Dr. Bethmann-Holl-
weg's foreign policy and a jealous
guardian of Bavaria's interests. He
prevented Alsace-Lorraine becoming
Prussian and will radicalise Prussia
on instructions from Scheidemann,
Ezberger and von Payer. "There
is no spark of the old proud
Prussian spirit left," it asks, and
it goes on to emphasise that all the
important offices are now in the
hands of South Germans.

THE "GENTLE GERMAN"

**THE DESTRUCTION OF THE
CONVOY.**

**STORY OF MERCILESS
MASSACRE.**

London, Nov. 4.

An appalling story of cold-blooded
massacre of the crews of the North
Sea convoy, which was sunk by
German cruisers on October 17, is
told by the Norwegian newspapers.

The Tidenskrift says the German
cruisers were observed at 6 o'clock
in the morning and were thought to
be British, but at 7 o'clock, when
there was more light, they suddenly
began to shoot and the convoy was
terrified to see the British destroyer
at the stern of the convoy beginning
to sink, though she fought to the
end. The cruisers signalled the ship
to stop and advanced on each side
of the convoy, which they swept
with all their guns, at a range of
less than 200 yards. Two German
destroyers came up and helped to
spread death and destruction over
the defenceless ships.

The shells fell thick and fast and
the Germans were not content to
sink ships but shelled the life boats
and every living thing coming their
way was mercilessly slaughtered.
The survivors owed their lives to the
high sea running, making the boats
a difficult mark.

Amidst the massacre, another
British destroyer came up and im-
mediately attacked but was soon
sunk in the unequal struggle. The
German flotilla then cruised back-
wards and forwards along the sink-
ing steamers, pouring in a fresh
terrible rain of shells at 100 yards
range.

KILLED IN ACTION

London, Nov. 4.

Brigadier Rawling has been killed in
action.

Brigadier Rawling, C.B.E., D.S.O.,
served on the North-West Frontier in
India in 1897-8, commanded the
Garhwal Expedition across Tibet and
led the British Expedition to Tibet in
1903-4, for which service he
received the thanks of the Netherlands
Government. He also served 40,000
square miles of Western Tibet and was
awarded the Meritorious Medal.

TRAIN ACCIDENT IN RUSSIA

SOLDIERS KILLED AND INJURED

Perestrova, Nov. 5.

By a collision between an express and
a troop train on the Vladivostok rail-
way, 100 persons were killed and 100
injured. They were mainly soldiers.
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THE CALENDAR.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Election Day in the U.S.A.
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General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, Nov. 8.—
2 p.m.—Auction of Miscellaneous Goods (Dress Materials, Serpex, Silk Socks, Perfumery etc.) at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.
FRIDAY, Nov. 9 & SATURDAY, 10.—
2.15 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, Bed Linen, Gramophones, Cut-glass, etc. etc. at No. 23, Lyndhurst Terrace.
SUNDAY, Nov. 11.—
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MONDAY, Nov. 12.—
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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, November 5, 1917.

AFFAIRS IN CHINA.

The Chinese papers devote a large amount of space to the military operations in China. Though there is a considerable movement of troops there appears to be, comparatively speaking, a very small expenditure of ammunition—for the simple reason, no doubt, that in these days munitions are scarce in China. Though, perhaps "for military reasons" little is said on the subject. The only admission of the kind we have seen is in cables to Peking despatched by the Szechuan Military Commanders who complain that they are handicapped by want of arms and ammunition. As the Government has instructed Shensi province to supply Szechuan it would appear that supplies in China are not entirely exhausted, but that at present it is rather a question of their distribution. The Government's intention to enter into what is spoken of as the "Arms Alliance" with Japan is on the face of it a proof of China's desperate need of munitions. China is apparently prepared to make concessions of very far-reaching importance, for the agreement would assign to Japan an important share of China's mining resources, and the provisions regarding military advisers are regarded as practically assuring to Japan the future control of the Chinese Army. So strong, however, is the opposition aroused that it is doubtful whether the agreement will be ratified. Some of the opposition is inspired by the belief that the Government's object is to obtain the munitions necessary to overwhelm the southern separatists, and on this ground the opposition to the agreement is not confined to China, but finds vigorous expression in Japan.

We learn that TSEN CHUEN HUEI, who has in his time played some widely different parts in South China has telegraphed to the President—in China every official telegraph—expressing his desire to see a peaceful settlement of the question of political power in the country and making the President to convey the idea to the Premier. As the Premier has been labouring to effect a peaceful settlement for some months now, the "idea" will not strike him as new, but TSEN's modest intervention might itself suggest many things to the mind of the Premier, and we shall doubtless hear more of him in the future than in the immediate past.

It is satisfactory to learn that China has at last placed the German and Austrian ships seized in her ports or most of them—at the disposition of the Allies, and that the previous agreement entered into with a Chinese Company—in which Japanese are alleged to be interested—is to be revised accordingly. That agreement was subjected to a great deal of criticism from the first, and the Premier himself has apparently been hostile to it all along. The Ministry of Communications seems to

have been responsible for the original arrangement, which is now scheduled, with apparently some compensation to the syndicate, and nine out of ten ships, aggregating 30,000 tons are to be hired by the Entente at the prevailing charter rates, subject to space being allotted for the export of Chinese products, such as tea and silk. The remaining ship, which is not chartered to the Allies, is a small river steamer. It is of interest to note that the new decision is attributed to the influence which Sir JOHN JORDAN has brought to bear since his return to Peking. It is to be hoped that Siam, which apparently was on the point of following China's earlier example, will now be guided by the new decision.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Singapore's "Our Day" total on October 24th was \$130,000, Penang's was \$107,749.46.

A coolie was sent to the Hospital yesterday, suffering from wounds inflicted by a hammer on the right side of his body, in a fight at Wanchai. No person connected with the assault has yet been arrested.

The failure of the Ceylon War Loan is a lamentable humiliation, says the "Times of Ceylon." The people of Ceylon were asked to contribute Rs. 15,000,000 to the Imperial War Bill; after three months' endeavour they have subscribed only Rs. 2,700,000. This war loan is on the Premium Bond system.

Miss Hawken, a resident on the Peak, reported to the Police that between the hours of nine and ten, on the morning of the 3rd instant, during a short absence from her room, some person entered through the verandah, opened her chest of drawers, and took a money box containing jewellery to the value of \$792.

The Intelligence Bureau at Canton informs us that the news of the capture of Paohing by the Southern forces at Hunan on October 30 has been confirmed by official despatch from General Ching. The service rendered by Brigade Commander Lin and the troops from Kwangsi against the Northerners was especially mentioned.

At the Helena May Institute to-morrow at 5.30 p.m. a lecture entitled "The Church at work for the lepers of the world" will be delivered by Mr. W. M. Danner, Secretary of the Mission to Lepers. The lecture will be illustrated with photographs. The Mission to Lepers is an International Agency and its object is to assist in leper relief in all lands. This meeting will be open to men and women.

A recent issue of the Congressional Record just received announces several promotions in the American Consular service of interest to Americans in China and Japan. Among the advances are those of Mr. Mahlon F. Perkins, vice consul in Shanghai, to Class 6 and Mr. G. F. Bickford, also vice-consul at Shanghai to Class 8. Among the others are: Mr. E. S. Cunningham, consul-general in Hankow, to Class 4; Mr. A. A. Williamson, consul in Dairen, to Class 5; Mr. J. K. Davis, consul in Antung, to Class 7; and Mr. Horace Remillard, formerly vice-consul in Swatow, Mr. Horace J. Dickinson, formerly vice-consul in Canton, and Mr. E. H. Doorman, now vice-consul in Kobe, all to Class 8.

On Saturday afternoon the Most Rev. Father L. Theisming, Master-General of the Dominican Order, his Secretary, the Rev. Father G. Horn, and a party of Dominican Fathers, presented by Father Naval of the Spanish Dominican Procuration, paid a visit to the unique collection of Chinese porcelain which Sir Paul Gaster has treasured up in his palatial residence. They were very courteously received and welcomed by Sir Paul, who explained to the party the characteristics and merits of the various specimens and classes of Chinese ceramic art in his full and rare collection. The Most Rev. Father Theisming and his party were delighted with this opportunity of visiting such a collection, under the able guidance of the collector himself, and were enthusiastic in their appreciation of such an interesting treasure. In no part of the world had they seen so many and such fine specimens of Chinese porcelain. The party were accompanied by the collector's son, who was also very interested in the collection.

THE MAGISTRACY ALLEGED THEFTS OF STEAM- BOAT CO.'S PROPERTY.

Mr. J. Arnold, Secretary of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., charged a Chinese coxswain of the Shun Lee lighter, with the larceny of four lengths of rope valued at \$200, three hatch covers valued at \$240, two wooden blocks valued at \$25, three chain slings valued at \$75, one chain valued \$5, and two tins of oil valued at \$10, all the property of the Company. Another coxswain of the Woo Lee lighter was also charged with receiving the articles.

Mr. Grist appeared for the defence. The case was remanded to Friday, bail being fixed at \$500, each.

THEFT BY A TAILOR.

Madame Flint, costumier at No. 10, Des Vaux Road Central charged a Chinese tailor with the larceny of a piece of satin valued at \$4.

It was stated that last night at about 11 o'clock, the defendant was arrested by an Indian watchman, as he was coming out of the shop by the back gate with the stolen satin in his possession. Defendant was an employe of Madame Flint, and all the tailors in her establishment were ordered to return whatever remnants there remained of cloths given them to cut. The piece of satin was of a good quality and there was great difficulty of obtaining any similar stuff. Defendant had only been in M. Flint's employ for three days.

Mr. Dyer Ball sentenced the defendant to one month's hard labour.

ALLEGED ILL-TREATMENT OF A SERVANT GIRL.

A Chinese woman was charged before Mr. Wood this morning with ill-treating a young servant girl.

It was stated that the defendant found the girl throwing the clothes over the verandah and forthwith seized her, tied her to a stool and struck her several times with a bamboo rod. As a result of the ill-treatment she had undergone, the girl was sent to the Government Civil Hospital.

Defendant did not deny the offence. His Worship adjourned the case to next Wednesday fixing bail at \$250.

ALLEGED POCKET-PICKING.

A Chinese was charged with the larceny of \$50, from the person of another Chinese at Des Vaux Road Central on Saturday afternoon.

It was stated that the defendant was seen by a member of the Special Police Reserve, to put his hand into the pocket of the complainant's coat and take out the money. He arrested the defendant. The case was adjourned to next Wednesday.

AN OPIUM CASE.

A Chinese was arrested yesterday at the Kowloon Canton Railway Station for illegally possessing nineteen tins of opium.

It was stated that the opium was found concealed in five milk tins. These tins were pierced with holes at the top through which the opium were placed in the tins and then resealed. Questioned by the Police, defendant told them that the tins were given him by a friend whom he met at a tea house, but he was unable to say where his friend lived.

His Worship remanded the case to next Wednesday.

STEALING COAL.

Two coolies charged with the larceny of coal from a Japanese ship at Wanchai yesterday, were brought up before Mr. Dyer Ball this morning.

Defendants pleaded not guilty. It was stated that the ship's watchman saw a sampan containing the defendants leave the ship's side loaded with coal. He ordered them to stop, but they refused, so he drew his revolver and threatened to fire on them if they refused. They then stopped.

After further evidence was heard, His Worship sentenced each defendant to two months' hard labour.

A Chinese woman was sent to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday. The woman, who is about 50 years old, fell into the harbour from the Praya wall opposite Percival Street. She was rescued by a shop coolie at Derrington Canal. First aid was rendered by a member of the Special Police Reserve, and this prompt aid probably saved her life.

WHY IT SELLS.

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SUMMARY COURT.

A QUESTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

In the Summary Court, this morning, before Sir William Rees Davies, K.C., Chief Justice, Kow Koo claimed from Samuel Greenfield, as partner of the Cheong Hing Firm, money changers, the sum of \$339.03, balance for cigarettes and tobacco delivered.

Mr. M. J. D. Stephens, for the plaintiff, said that the defendant, on several occasions, had admitted partnership by his own act and admissions. He appeared in a Police Court case where he referred to the partnership. Defendant had constantly been seen sitting in the shop with the money changer and had been seen giving change. The sign boards over the defendant's shop also were such as to imply that defendant was a partner.

The plaintiff then went into the box, and gave evidence as to supplying goods to the defendant and of having done business with him for several years. The sign boards over the shop led witness to believe that defendant was a partner.

In reply to defendant, who defended his own case, witness said that he had never dealt with defendant in person, and had never ordered any goods, paid any bills or dealt with him in business in any way whatever personally.

With regard to a flash light sign-board that appeared over defendant's shop, a shroff from the British-American Tobacco Company stated that he had paid defendant a sum of \$6 on several occasions. This payment represented the monthly cost of electric current used by the sign which was an advertisement for Westminster cigarettes.

The defendant stated that he rented the premises to the Cheong Hing Firm, and he came to a separate arrangement with the British-American Tobacco Company to allow them to put the sign over the premises. He received the sum of \$6 per month for current used and advertising space. The arrangement had nothing to do with the Cheong Hing firm although that firm sold the cigarettes advertised on the sign.

Mr. Stephens then put in the evidence taken at the Police Court case referred to and pointed out that the defendant had distinctly stated that he had an interest in the firm.

The Court then rose for theiffin interval, and on resuming, Mr. Stephens said that during the interval he had found that the \$6 per month was not for the electric sign alone. It was divided up into two sums—\$4 for the sign and \$2 for the space in the side window of the shop for the purpose of exhibiting packets of cigarettes.

An assistant accountant employed by the British-American Tobacco Company corroborated this statement.

Inspector Terrett of the Police Force stated that at the time of the Police Court proceedings the defendant distinctly stated that Cheong Hing had not a cent in the business of the Cheong Hing Firm. Defendant had lent \$5,000 at one per cent interest per month to carry on the business and Cheong Hing was what might be called a working partner.

After hearing further evidence his Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiff with costs.

THE HONGKONG AEROPLANE FUND.

Mr. J. J. Bryan, Hon. Corresponding Secretary in Hongkong of the Overseas Club, forwards to us the following letter which he has received:

London W.C.,
18th September, 1917.
DEAR SIR.—We are in receipt of your letter of July 23rd, together with the sum of £140, being belated subscriptions to the Hongkong Aeroplane Fund which the donors wish allocated to St. Dunstan's Hospital and the Royal Flying Corps Hospital in equal proportions, for which we thank you and endorse our receipt.

We cannot tell you how grateful we are to you for your help in this direction and permit me, on behalf of the Central Committee, to thank you, and through you all concerned for this splendid contribution.

The total sum has been handed to Lady de Young, the Chairman of our Soldiers and Sailors Fund to pass along to the above mentioned institutions, and you will receive another communication from her Ladyship in due course sending you the official receipts.

We were much interested in the photograph you enclosed of the Chinese boy knitting his first pair of socks for men at the front. He certainly seems a very enthusiastic worker for the Allies.

With all good wishes.

Yours faithfully,

For the Overseas Club,
Sd. E. J. BRYAN.

ACCIDENTS WILL HAPPEN.

It may be impossible to prevent an accident, but it is not impossible to prevent it from being a serious one. The Overseas Club has been very successful in its efforts to prevent accidents, and we are sure that you will be very interested in the results of its work.

THE SITUATION AT CANTON.

[From a Correspondent.]

Canton, Nov. 2.
The Canton authorities have ignored the Presidential Mandate of October 28 replacing Chen Pin-chun with Civil Governor Li Yao-hon as the Military Governor of Kwangtung. As Governor Chen has decided to resign anyhow, in order to take part in the military operations at Hunan against the North, Admiral Ching Pi-kwang of the Chinese Navy, now in Canton, and General Mu Ying-hsien, Defence Commissioner here, are being suggested as possible candidates for the post. The independent Navy and the Yunnan troops in Kwangtung naturally favour Admiral Ching, while the Kwangsi troops, General Mu, the Gendarmerie, holding the balance of power, would like to see the Civil Governor assume the military post also, as Li is one of their former commanders. The difficulty, however, is that the acceptance of the Military Governorship by Li would appear to be obedience to the Peking Government, the Cabinet of which Kwangtung has denounced as illegal. General Lu, of course, is naturally in favour of General Mu, one of his Lieutenants.

There is another power to be considered, too. This is the Military Government now having headquarters in Canton. This Government, outwardly, is not supposed to interfere with local affairs for the time being; but every one sees that its freedom here depends much on the attitude of the Canton authorities. To win General Lu over to the Military Government the influence of the latter may be lent to General Mu. General Mu now not only has all the Kwangsi men under him, but also money, an important factor in a time of struggle and military activities. Moreover, the promotion of General Mu will probably mean the ascending of General Li Fook Lum to the Defence Commissionership at Canton. In this way both the Lu Ying-tsing and the Gendarmerie faction will get something, and peace in the capital of Kwangtung, at least, will be assured.

According to those who are watching the situation, the recent Presidential Mandates are helping the Southern movement immensely. The Tang Chi-yao element in Yunnan and Szechuan, the Lu Ying-ting clique in Kwangtung and Kwangsi, while tolerating the existence of the Military Government, have not formally sided with it.

The definite action of Peking to lower the strength of these two parties is compelling them to come nearer to the Military Government. As soon as satisfactory arrangements are reached for these two men to take more part in affairs of the South-West, the Military Government will probably be reorganized or changed to a Provisional Government by which the machinery of government in the Southern Provinces will be taken over.

Regarding the independent movement in Swatow, the Canton Military authorities still directed by General Chen will suppress it by force. According to reliable reports, the independent leader there, Defence Commissioner Mu Ching-yu, although he has ten ying or battalions of men, can move at will actually only three, while the other seven are under commanders not wholly approving his present action. So far Mu Ching-yu has got but two ying of men, about 500, from Fukien to come to his aid, but is badly in need of a navy. The reported assistance from Kiangsi to Mu had not yet arrived there when this was written, according to official information.

Latest reports from Hunan show that the engagement is being centered around Paohing. No official confirmation has yet been received from the military circle of the capture of Paohing by the South, although there are press reports that the town has been given up by the Northerners.

A LAWYER'S OPINION OF OUR LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

During the course of an argument with regard to the interpretation of the Ordinance dealing with the stamping of documents, which was brought up in connection with a claim on a Bill of Exchange, in the Summary Court, this morning, Mr. W. B. Hind stated that although the result of the application of his interpretation of the Section of the Ordinance might be absurd, the Ordinance did actually uphold his arguments. Many of the Ordinances, said Mr. Hind, were in effect absurd when they came to be considered.

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PROMENADE CONCERT AT TAIKOO RECREATION GROUND.

A VERY SUCCESSFUL ENTERTAINMENT.

One of the most enjoyable concerts, within recent memory, was given on Saturday evening at the Tai Koo Recreation Grounds.

The object of the event was to raise funds for the 25th Middlesex Regiment Recreation Fund, and as several hundred people were present there should be quite a respectable sum realized. A late estimate places the total at \$500.

One of the best features of the arrangements was the seating accommodation, and the foresight of the organisers in taking advantage of the space available, removed an inconvenience which has characterised most other promenade concerts. The chairs were so arranged that when one desired to leave a seat to take a walk round the grounds, it was possible to do so, even from the very middle of the seats, without causing the slightest inconvenience to those who desired to remain seated.

A large stage, prettily decorated with flags, had been erected and also a bandstand, and the grounds were decorated with coloured lanterns and flags. There were also two refreshment stalls.

Amongst those present were Lt.-Colonel John Ward, M.P., Major Morgan, Major Wakeman, and also Captain Flynn, who was in command of the *Tyndarus* on her ill-fated voyage.

The evening's entertainment consisted of alternate selections by the Band of the 25th Middlesex Regiment, by kind permission of Lt.-Col. John Ward, M.P., and Officers, and songs, recitations and instrumental solos.

Miss Gordon and Mrs. Hill, in their vocal efforts, were the recipients of much applause as was Miss M. Gordon in her violin solo, which was capitally played.

Private Newman was well received in his recitations, as was Private Norris in his cornet solo.

Much amusement was caused by the "Magical Interlude," which consisted of humorous dialogue so worked in as to introduce songs by Private Morlee and an instrumental trio. Private Parsons also rendered vocal solos, accompanied by Private Norris.

Perhaps the most successful item on the programme was "Private Crane and a Piano." Besides being an accomplished pianist, Private Crane is a gifted humourist. He kept the audience in roars of laughter by his imitations of an operatic *prima donna*, and a leading tenor.

The selections by the Band reflected great credit on Bandmaster Laurie Owen, I.R.A.M. He has his men beautifully trained and they fully justify Lt.-Col. John Ward's well-known pride of this section of his Regiment.

Congratulations are due to L/C. E. G. Filbey, who undertook the stage managing, and to Mr. W. H. Frowse, who, with his committee, organised the entertainment.

It is believed that many people refrained from attending the concert owing to the distance, and the difficulties of getting home; a rush for the cars naturally being anticipated. Should there be a repetition of this concert, it would be as well to widely advertise the fact that a large number of reserved cars were sent down the lines to cope with the extra number of passengers. We particularly mention this, for it seems a pity that any should remain away from such an excellent evening's entertainment, owing to a misapprehension.

Seventy thousand pounds is estimated as the cost of the repairs to the roof of Westminster Hall. Sir Lionel Earle told the Public Accounts Committee that the work will take a long time owing to the lack of labour.

The first Government fruit-pulping station in Devonshire has been established at Totnes, and others will follow. As first attention will be concentrated on plums, which will be followed by apples, of which there is an excellent crop this season.

A FAVORITE RUP OWY.

THE roller, the first of the kind, has been built at the works of the Glasgow & South Western Railway Co. It is a very interesting machine, and is being used for the purpose of rolling the rails for the new line from Glasgow to London.

TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

TEA SUPPLIES FOR BRITAIN.

LONDON, Nov. 5. The Food Controller announces that the existing Tea Control Scheme is temporary until the Government purchases of tea in India and Ceylon reach the United Kingdom. It is anticipated that all fresh tea will have gone into consumption by December 31 after which it should be possible to further reduce the price, making 4/- the maximum.

The Tea Control Committee has unanimously elected Mr. George Pollard, of J. Lyons & Co., as successor to Mr. Piggott, who has been appointed Director of Tea Supplies.

The Times understands that the Indian Tea Association yesterday appointed a sub-committee to consider schemes for providing for the Government acquisition of Indian and Ceylon tea for the requirements of the United Kingdom. The Times says it is already clear that the trade will severely criticise the "A" scheme in the same way as Calcutta has done. There is no trace of an unreasonable spirit among the leaders in the tea industry, but rather a willingness to be perfectly satisfied with payments for supplies based on pre-war earnings, or, if that be regarded as expecting too much, then with terms substantially below that level. Evidently there will be no general and willing acceptance of any scheme which while possibly not unacceptable to companies with high working expenses would leave very little return, if any, for shareholders in successful companies with low working costs.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Nov. 5. Silver is 44 1/2 very quiet.

THE MELBOURNE DERBY.

LONDON, Nov. 5. The result of the Melbourne Derby is as follows:—
Biplane.....1
Princess Viridia.....2
Broken Glass.....3
Biplane won easily. Time, 2'35 1/2. Betting, two to one on.

THE EMPIRE DOCK AT SINGAPORE.

NAMING CEREMONY PERFORMED BY THE GOVERNOR.

An important event in the history of Singapore took place on October 25th at Tanjong Pagar, when in commemoration of the completion of the dock and wharf extension works H.E. the Governor (Sir Arthur Young, K.C.M.G.) named the new wharf dock. The name given was the appropriate one of Empire Dock.

Mr. J. R. Nicholson, C.M.G., Chairman of the Harbour Board, in the course of a speech said:—
A few figures may be interesting: the length of the new quay is within a few feet of two miles, and we are now provided with 7,894 feet of quay having over 300 feet of water alongside at L.W.O.T.; of this 4,373 feet ranges from 34 to 56 feet deep, and the Government before the commencement of the work we had only 855 feet of over 30 feet in depth. We have now 21 acres of floor area in our godowns, and a coal storage capacity of 500,000 tons.

To give you some idea of the magnitude of this work, these figures may interest you, put in the manner followed by a popular magazine. The amount of concrete used is 4,549 cubic yards, and to make this we required 408,000 sacks of cement; if these sacks were put end to end, they would reach over 187 miles, or 2 1/2 times round the island of Singapore. The amount of earth excavated was 2,888,720 cubic yards, and if this amount was filled into navy barges, which are pretty big barges, a procession of men conveniently walking would be over 16,500 miles long. This excavation has reclaimed 160 acres of swamp land which will go far to wipe out the cost of the dock. The cost of the work comprised under the original tender has been \$1,614,376, to which is to be added \$8,471,870 for work carried out by the Board departmentally in the shape of godowns, &c., making a total of \$10,086,246, excluding the King's Dock &c. Our total capital to-day is just under \$55,000,000, which is a big jump in 11 years from \$3,700,000.

Although we celebrate the completion of this scheme to-day, I must remind you that it is not the end of expenditure on increased accommodation. Owing to the position of Singapore on the world's map, there rests on you a duty which you cannot and must not shirk, that is to provide every facility and every requirement necessary for the quick dispatch of ships. The world's overseas trade demands it. So this is not a stoppage to-day. It is only the end of one scheme.

His Excellency the Governor in his speech said the new dock was one of the four large works which have been carried out for the improvement of Singapore Harbour, which have been completed since 1909, when the Government bought up the Tanjong Pagar Dock Company.

The other three large works are the mole, quay and reclamation in the roads, the reconstruction of the Tanjong Pagar Dock, and the construction of the large dry dock called the King's Dock.

Mr. E. H. Boller estimates that there have been 20 million visits to the German Embassy in London since the war. The cost of the Embassy is estimated at 20 million.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE FRENCH SUCCESS AT CHEMIN-DES-DAMES.

THE END OF A GREAT BATTLE.

LONDON, Nov. 5. The French success at Chemin-des-Dames marks the end of one of the great battles of the war.

The battle began on April 16th, when the French had reached the crest overlooking the former German position down to the banks of the Aisne and the enemy communications in the Aisne Valley, and it ended yesterday after six months of almost continuous fighting. It lasted longer and cost more lives than the Battle of Verdun.

In the first three months of the battle, when the fighting was most persistent, the enemy divisions were relieved at a quicker rate than during the corresponding months of the Battle of Verdun. No German division that was sent away from the battle was ever called upon to return.

The Germans will, of course, say that they abandoned the ground voluntarily in order to husband their men. The truth is that, since October 23rd, when the Zouaves stormed Malmesheim Fort, the Germans lost and abandoned twenty miles of the Hindenburg Line. To retain this sector of the front, stretching from Lauffaux to Croisne, the Germans provoked over twenty battles, and almost as many times they accepted battle forced upon them by the French.

They engaged in scores of minor operations, and suffered casualties to be numbered by the hundred thousands. As a result of their efforts they, bit by bit, won back the greater part of the crest line, and had every intention of establishing themselves comfortably on it for the winter.

The French command viewed the situation with calm and had since been methodically preparing to reverse the position at one blow instead of wasting men by innumerable minor attacks. When the blow fell at dawn on October 23rd, perhaps two-thirds of the crest line was in German hands. By the evening of that day four of their best divisions had been put out of action and, excepting at Les Boettes they were everywhere driven from the plateau. With the fall of Les Boettes went their last foothold on the crest.

Yesterday, they gave up the lines they held under the crest on the northern slope, which were taken in the rear from the new French positions in the valley, and their right dropped back noiselessly to the other side of the Aisne.

ORGANISING THE NEW GROUND.

LONDON, Nov. 4. A French communiqué states:—The French are organising the new ground on the Ailette front.

There was an artillery duel in various sectors at Chemin-des-Dames. In the battle of La Malmesheim the French airmen brought down 16 German machines, engaged in 611 air-fights, and 30 German machines crashed down in their own lines.

BRITISH REPULSE ATTACKS.

LONDON, Nov. 4. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

We repulsed, this morning, after sharp fighting, attacks southward and westward of Passchendaele, in which the enemy captured an advanced post in the neighbourhood of the Ypres-Roulers railway.

We retook the post in the afternoon. We repulsed a bombing attack eastward of Gouzeaucourt.

There was considerable activity by the enemy's artillery northward of Ypres. The weather interfered with flying.

THE ITALIAN SITUATION.

PARIS, Nov. 4. Complete agreement between the British and French Governments regarding the Italian military situation was reached as a consequence of the conversation between Mr. Balfour, the French Premier and Minister of War, and Mr. Lloyd George in London.

THE GALLANTRY OF THE ITALIAN CAVALRY.

LONDON, Nov. 4. The successful retirement of the Italians across the Tiglianate is entirely due to the self-sacrifice of the Cavalry, whose splendid maneuvering in great masses and reckless gallantry against machine-gun firing, remain one of the most brilliant features of the war. Their constant daring dashes under fire screened the march of the main body of the army, enabling it to occupy a prearranged position which it is now busy fortifying. There were charges by squadrons and whole brigades, executed with admirable precision and at the highest speed, which the machine-guns failed to arrest. Some regiments were practically annihilated, but not in vain, as their sacrifice protected the road along which the third army marched to safety.

AMERICAN PICKET BOAT FOUNDERS.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5. A picket boat from an American battleship foundered in home waters. The crew of twelve were missing and one killed.

THE GERMAN ELECTRICALLY-CONTROLLED BOAT.

LONDON, Nov. 4. The papers are most interested in the German electrically controlled boat destroyed on the Belgian Coast. It is suggested that it carried no crew, but was controlled by wireless from the shore or from aircraft.

THE LATTOGAT FIGHT.

LONDON, Nov. 4. Telegrams from Copenhagen state the British Squadron was reconnoitering the Kattegat and flying the British flag when they sighted a flagless flotilla.

When signalled to display her flag a German auxiliary replied by firing, simultaneously breaking out the German ensign.

Her commander, who was wounded in the action, was rescued and brought to Copenhagen. He said the shells of the British destroyers were so rapid that the Germans were almost unable to work the guns, and only fired a few shots when the ship was a mass of flames.

RUSSIAN DIPLOMAT PRONOUNCED INSANE.

PEIROGRAD, Nov. 4. The ex-Minister Protopopoff has been pronounced insane.

THE SINN FEIN ACTIVITIES.

LONDON, Nov. 4. There was much excitement in Dublin yesterday as a consequence of wild rumours of drastic measures against Sinn Féin, including the arrest of Devalera. The rumours subsequently were proved baseless.

EXCITEMENT IN DUBLIN.

LONDON, Nov. 4. The Sinn Féin Headquarters announce the abandonment of a meeting at Newbridge to-day, which the Authorities had proclaimed.

THE COURT CARDS AND THEIR JOKER.

Mr. Edgar Warwick's "season of humour and harmony which he will inaugurate at the Theatre Royal on Saturday next is attracting an extraordinary amount of interest. The box plans at Messrs. Moutrie & Co.'s are rapidly filling, and those who do not wish to miss this popular attraction will be well advised to see about seats at the earliest opportunity. The company has recently arrived from Australia which was included as part of their tour of the world. Phenomenal success attended them there, as indeed it does wherever they go, and it would be surprising if they were not so, for they make a very wide appeal owing to their versatility. There are not many who do not remember with very much pleasure their bright, wholesome entertainments when last they were in these parts. They have a way entirely their own, and their fun is always in the best of taste and is wedded to tunefulness in a manner that never fails to please the most jaded. They poke fun in a good, humourous manner at almost everything. Their potted drama is said to be one of the funniest things ever attempted on the stage, and he must indeed be a misanthrope who does not laugh heartily at the merciless way in which that form of performance is "skitted." There are many kinds of tonics but the "Court Cards" can be recommended as supplying the most potent, for a good laugh and a little tunefulness go a long way towards brightening life. The Court Cards do this cheerfully, economically and well.

GERMAN MAN-POWER.

LUDENDORF AS WITNESS TO NEED FOR ECONOMY.

The special correspondent of The Times at the British front writes:—The German Press states that the crisis in regard to effective is quite unknown in the German army. This, however, is exactly contrary to the truth. As a matter of fact, we have incontrovertible proof that the strength of a company of infantry in certain sectors varies from 40 to 60 men, and that to compensate for this shortage of men each company was reinforced with two light machine-guns; an increased supply of these guns being also allocated to the battalions. It may be objected, that the Germans are gradually substituting them as far as possible for infantry, and used men made available in this way to form fresh units. This suggestion, however, has no real foundation, as for months past the best of the fighting units have been gradually being sent to the front, and the identification of the enemy's forces has not been noticed on this front. Any for all divisions of even reinforcements. This correspondence was received from a reliable source in the front, and is entirely correct. It is, therefore, according to a reliable Press message, that the German army is not being weakened by the loss of man-power.

SPORTING.

CRICKET.

KOWLOON C.C. v. MIDDLESEX C.C.

Played at Happy Valley on Saturday.

Scores:—

KOWLOON C.C. 24

A. A. Claxton, c. Butherford, b. Purnell, 18

J. Seidler, b. Butherford, 20

W. T. Elson, c. Cooper, b. Fawthrop, 18

L. E. S. Lodge, b. Cooper, 24

J. P. Robinson, not out, 19

F. H. Cobb, b. Fawthrop, 0

D. J. MacKenzie, b. Cooper, 0

C. J. Stapleton, c. Woodward, b. Cooper, 3

A. de Souza, c. Gull, b. Woodward, 4

R. Pestonji, b. Cooper, 1

Extras 1

Total 113

MIDDLESEX C.C. 24

Pte. Thomson, b. Cobb, 1

Pte. Gull, b. Cobb, 1

Pte. Smith, b. Pestonji, 4

L. Dickenson, b. Cobb, 0

L. E. Tobbet, c. Robinson, b. Cobb, 0

L. Cooper, c. Robinson, b. Pestonji, 0

Capt. Padfield, b. Pestonji, 3

L. C. Butherford, b. w. b. Pestonji, 3

Pte. Woodward, not out, 1

Pte. Fawthrop, not out, 1

Pte. Purnell, not out, 1

Extras 1

Total 35

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O. M. R. W.

H. P. Cobb 11 7 8 5

R. Pestonji 10 1 8 5

Total 101 8 5

KOWLOON C.C. (B) v. A MILITARY XI.

Played at King's Park on Saturday.

Scores:—

Major Robertson, b. Schulz, 68

Spl. M. Jewsbury, b. Schulz, 0

Opl. Charters, b. Schulz, 0

L. E. Elbery, b. Schulz, 0

L. E. Elbery, b. Schulz, 0

Comdr. Davidson, caught Mead, b. Schulz, 18

Schulz, 28

Private Connor, b. Mead, 28

L. Dunbar, b. F. Mead, 7

Abdulla Aziz, b. Elbery, 0

Lt. Dobson, run out, 4

Sgt. Rivers, not out, 2

Extras 2

Total 137

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O. M. R. W.

Schulz 13 2 67 6

Connor 10 4 29 0

Abdulla Aziz 4 1 18 0

F. Meade 8 1 19 1

Birnie 7 1 4 2

Total 44 1 4 2

KOWLOON v. R.G.A.

Played at King's Park on Saturday.

Scores:—

T. E. Pearce, c. Drummond, b. Athorne, 65

Capt. E. H. Gray, b. Athorne, 3

Lt. H. E. Murray, b. Athorne, 27

H. E. Hollands, b. Athorne, 16

Gr. Sharnham, c. Joelson, b. Donnelly, 7

Edr. Athorne, not out, 5

Lt. Wilkinson, b. Donnelly, 0

Gr. Roocock, c. Joelson, b. Gray, 0

Q.M.S. Ross, b. w. b. Morgan, 4

Lieut. Baker, c. Mass, b. Morgan, 4

Extras 5

Total 134

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O. M. R. W.

Donnelly 11 2 25 4

Pearce 3 0 10 0

Gray 6 4 2 2

Morgan 1 0 2 2

Total 21 6 3 8

CHANGING OVER V. R.S.

A League Match played at Happy Valley on Saturday between C.C.C. and R.S. results in a win for Changover.

Scores:—

Ferris, Macgregor, c. T. Thompson, b. Grimmett, 11

L. Cpl. Adams, b. Grimmett, 0

White, b. Grimmett, 0

Changover, b. Grimmett, 0

Lucas, b. Grimmett, 12

Waller, c. and Grimmett, 4

Cripwell, b. w. b. Grimmett, 3

Willard, c. and Grimmett, 0

Extras 1

Total 24

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O. M. R. W.

Grimmett 11 2 25 4

White 3 0 10 0

Gray 6 4 2 2

Morgan 1 0 2 2

Total 21 6 3 8

W. W. Edwards, run out.

F. Thompson, b. White, 0

D. K. Khanna, b. w. b. Cripwell, 3

T. Ford, b. Reakes, 11

R. Bass, b. w. b. Cripwell, 0

H. Grimmett, b. White, 14

E. Graham, b. White, 13

L. A. Ramey, b. Reakes, 6

W. Pitt, not out, 6

J. S. Norris, c. McGregor, b. Reakes, 0

T. Thomson, absent, 0

Extras 2

Total 49

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O. M. R. W.

White 9 0 1 3

Cripwell 3 1 17 3

Reakes 3 3 15 3

Total 15 4 3 9

GOLF.

The third and semi-final rounds in the Championship were played at Fanling yesterday.

In the third round Syme-Thomson beat Dodwell and was favourite 2 up and 1 to play.

In the semi-final, played in the afternoon, Ritchie beat Edwards 2 up and 1 to play, and Syme-Thomson beat Leith by 2 and 1.

The final, 36 holes, is to be played next Sunday.

SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL.

H. K. DEVEREAUX CORPS v. NAVY.—An interesting match played on the Club Ground resulted in victory for the Defence Corps by 4 goals to 2. Teams:—

H.K.D.C.—Rodger, Cave, and McCubbin; Railton, Stewart and Ralston; Wood, Chassey, Gerard, MacLachlan and Steel.

Navy.—Pullen, Conker and Black; Randle, Cornish and Birge; Hutchison, Llewellyn, Byrne, Burns and Cape.

Referee.—Mr. F. W. Wright.

St. Joseph's College v. 88th Co., R.G.A.—This game resulted in a win for the soldiers by 3 goals to 1.

Kowloon v. Middlesex Res.—Result, a draw, 3 goals each.

HOCKEY.

The Hockey players of the Hongkong Defence Corps met at Headquarters on Friday last to discuss the prospects for the coming season. Many of last year's players having left the Colony, the unanimous opinion of those present was that only one team could be run this year instead of two as last year. Gunner Braysday, Captain of last year's team, and Corpl. Edmonds, Vice-captain of last year's team, were elected Captain and Vice-captain respectively of this year's team. Pte. Haxwell, Secretary of B team and also General Secretary last year, declined further honours and is this year succeeded by "Apper Fiercy."

The team will be entered in the United Services Hockey League as before, and is the nucleus of the new Hon. Secretary, whose address is c/o Jardine Matheson & Co., will be pleased to arrange friendly games with local teams.

THE MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE BAZAAR.

So far as can be ascertained up to the present, the receipts of the various stalls and raffles and entrance fees, at Saturday's Bazaar, held in the grounds of Government House by the Ministering Children's League, are as follows:—

Bellios School stall.....\$1,950.00

Victoria stall.....1,399.75

Fan Oi stall.....1,301.00

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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N/V "GLENLYNE" Arrived

20th October, 1917.

CONSIGNEES are hereby notified that owing to an OUTFREAK of FIRE immediately on the arrival of the above vessel, AVERAGE BOARD will be required to be signed, but no deposits will be collected as yet.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,

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Hongkong, Nov. 4, 1917.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE

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LLOYD" ROYAL MAIL LINES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"RINDJANI"

having arrived from SAN FRANCISCO,

Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified

that all Goods are being landed at their

risk into the Godowns and/or extra

Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong

and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.,

whence and/or from the wharves

delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns and all

Goods remaining undelivered after noon

the 7th November, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be

presented to the undersigned on or

before the 12th November, or they

will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods

are to be left in the Godowns, where

they will be examined on the 6th

November at 10 a.m. by the Company's

surveyors Messrs. Godard & Douglas.

No Insurance whatsoever has been

effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned

by

JAVA-CHINA JAPAN LIJN.

Agents.

Hongkong, Nov. 3, 1917.

KONINKLYKE PAKETVAART

MAATSCHAPPY

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"VAN WAERWYCK"

having arrived from the above ports,

consignees of cargo by her are notified

that all goods are being landed at their

risk into the hazardous and/or extra

hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong

and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.,

whence and/or from the wharves

delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by 7th November,

will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages

are to be left in the Godowns, where they

will be examined on the 6th November,

1917, at 10 a.m.

Claims against the steamer must be

presented in writing within ten days

after arrival of steamer, otherwise they

will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by

the undersigned in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Agents.

Hongkong, Nov. 1, 1917.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

S.S. "VENEZUELA"

FROM SAN FRANCISCO,

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HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Orders for Artillery Company by Capt. J. H. W. Armstrong, Y.D.

PARADES.

Thursday, 6th inst. —
7.30 a.m. — Right Half Company at Belchers Battery.
8.30 p.m. — Left Half Company at Belchers Battery.
Friday, 9th inst. —
7.30 a.m. — Right Half Company (Range) at Belchers Battery.
8.30 p.m. — Left Half Company (Range) at Belchers Battery.
Saturday, 10th inst. —
7.30 a.m. — Right Half Company (Range) at Belchers Battery.
8.30 p.m. — Left Half Company (Range) at Belchers Battery.

Orders for Engineers Company by Captain W. Russell.

2nd to 9th inst. —
Nightly E. L. Manning at Belchers and Lyceum as per Roster posted at Headquarters.
On and from 6th November, Engine drivers will parade at 5.15 p.m. and Electricians at 5.20 p.m.

OFFICERS NEXT FOR DUTY.
Belchers — 2nd Lieut. Brown.
Lyceum — Capt. James, O. I. & D.E.L.
Stonecutters — Lieut. Stevenson, O. I. & D.E.L.PARADES FOR INSTRUCTION.
At Belchers at 8 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday, under Staff Sergeants, Overland and Furson, H.K. Corp. Day and 2nd Corp. Norris, H.K. B.C.
Detail of Belchers Beliefs for November, 1917, is posted at Headquarters.
Detail of duties at Lyceum from 1st to 10th inst., is posted at Headquarters.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.

Thursday, 6th inst. —
4.45 p.m. — No. 1 Platoon, Nos. 1 and 2 Sections, at King's Park Range.
Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 5, 6, 7 and 12. Dress.
Drill order with pouches.
5.15 p.m. — No. 2 Platoon, Nos. 3 and 4 Sections, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress. Drill order with pouches.
5.15 p.m. — No. 4 Platoon, at Headquarters. Section drill. Dress. Drill order.

Friday, 7th inst. —
4.45 p.m. — No. 1 Platoon, Nos. 3 and 4 Sections, at King's Park Range.
Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 5, 6, 7 and 12. Dress.
Drill order with pouches.
5.20 p.m. — No. 3 Platoon, at Headquarters. Inspection of Arms, Ammunition, Equipment and Clothing. Fisher and K. A. Highway. Officer rounds ball ammunition.

Saturday, 8th inst. —
4.30 a.m. — Annual Musketry Course, Part 3, Practices 13, 14 and 19, at Peak Range. The following will attend: — Privates E. de W. Abbey, W. Schofield, N. E. Kent, H. E. Hayward, W. W. MacKenzie and E. A. M. Williams.
4.45 p.m. — No. 1 Platoon, Nos. 1 and 2 Sections, at King's Park Range.
Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 8 and 9. Dress. Drill order with pouches.

Sunday, 9th inst. —
4.45 p.m. — No. 1 Platoon, Nos. 3 and 4 Sections, at King's Park Range.
Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 8 and 9. Dress. Drill order with pouches.
5.15 p.m. — No. 2 Platoon, Nos. 7 and 8 Sections, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress. Drill order with pouches.

Monday, 10th inst. —
4.30 a.m. — No. 3 Platoon (N.C.O.s and men as detailed by Lieut. Kennett), at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course, Part 1, Practices 3 and 4. Dress. Drill order with pouches.

Tuesday, 6th inst. —
6.30 a.m. — Annual Musketry Course, Part 3, Practices 13, 14 and 19, at Peak Range. The following will attend: — Privates H. T. Jackson, H. E. L. Dowling and W. H. Bell.
6.45 p.m. — No. 2 Platoon, Nos. 7 and 8 Sections, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress. Drill order with pouches.

Wednesday, 7th inst. —
6.30 a.m. — Annual Musketry Course, Part 3, Practices 13, 14 and 19, at Peak Range. The following will attend: — Privates E. B. Halliday, J. F. Miller, N. J. Stubb, O. Severn, G. F. Wotton, C. H. P. Hay, G. H. Gale, G. T. Edkins, R. J. McCreagh, W. L. Lewis, D. McManus and W. Sinclair.
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Hongkong, Oct. 25, 1917.

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The Parcel Post service to Aden (except in respect of parcels for military and naval addresses) has been suspended.

Mails for Europe via Suez are despatched as opportunity offers but only correspondence specially marked is forwarded by that route and no particulars of such mails can be given.

Correspondence addressed to enemy subjects in China, Siam, Liberia, Portuguese East Africa, Persia and Morocco, cannot be transmitted.

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WEATHER REPORT.

November 5, 11.35 a.m. — Warning to Hongkong: — N.E. Gale in Formosa Channel.

November 5, 12.15 p.m. — The anti-cyclone has increased in intensity, and the depression over the Sea of Japan has moved eastwards to Hokkaido; pressure has consequently decreased sharply over N. Japan, and increased over the remainder of the area, considerably along the east coast of China.

Strong monsoon will prevail along the China Coast, and over the N. China Sea. Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 60.34 inches, against an average of 80.76 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 6th November: —
1. — Hongkong to Gap Rock: N.E. winds, fresh; fair.
2. — Formosa, Channel: N.E. gale.
3. — South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook: The same as No. 1.
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Stock and paid up Value.	Quoted 11.30 A.M.	Last Dividend and date.	Approximate price based on 1st year's div.
BANKS.			
Hongkong & S'hai \$19,4800		Interim of \$2.31/ 1917.....	6 1/2 p.a.
MARINE INSURANCE.			
Canton.....\$ 50,0000		\$7 final making \$21 a/c 1915 and Interim of \$18 a/c 1916.....	7 p.c.
North China.....\$ 100,0000		Int. div. of 15 % = 15/1917 and \$4.25 per share a/c 1916.....	6 1/2 p.c.
Union.....\$100,0000		Final of \$3 and bonus of \$10 a/c 1916 and Interim of \$20 a/c 1917.....	7 p.c.
Yangtze.....\$ 60,0000		\$15 making \$21 for 1915 and special of \$20 a/c 1916.....	11 p.c.
FIRE INSURANCES.			
China Fire.....\$ 20,0000		\$7 and bonus \$3 for 1915.....	6 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Fire.....\$ 20,0000		\$27 for 1915.....	6 1/2 p.c.
SHIPPING.			
Douglas Steamships \$50,0000		Final of \$3 a/c 1916-1917.....	16 1/2 p.c.
Steamboats.....\$ 10,0000		\$1.25 for 1916.....	7 p.c.
Indo-China.....\$ 20,0000		Final of \$3 a/c 1916.....	6 p.c.
(Preferred).....\$ 20,0000		Final of 40/- a/c 1916.....	21 p.c.
(Deferred).....\$ 20,0000			
'Shell' Transport \$10,0000		5/- final making 7/- a/c 1916 free of income tax Coupon 25.....	3 p.c.
'Star Ferry'.....\$ 10,0000		\$1.50 div. and 30 cents bonus for year ending 30-4-17.....	7 p.c.
REFINERIES.			
China Sugars.....\$100,0000		\$12 for 1916.....	12 p.c.
Malacca Sugars.....\$ 50,0000		P. 5 for 1916.....	13 1/2 p.c.
MINING.			
Kailash.....\$ 10,0000		Int. div. of 1/- free of income tax making 10/- a/c 1916-1917 coupon No. 9.....	7 p.c.
Langkai.....\$ 10,0000		Int. 1 for 1916.....	6 p.c.
Ruby.....\$ 10,0000		1/- Interim making 4/- a/c 1916.....	16 p.c.
Trench Mines.....\$ 10,0000		9 % for 1915.....	
Ural Carbons.....\$ 10,0000			
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.			
Kowloon Wharves & Godowns.....\$ 10,0000		5 % for 1916 & bonus \$2.....	9 p.c.
H.K. & Whampoa Docks.....\$ 10,0000		Interim of \$2 1/2 a/c 1917.....	8 1/2 p.c.
Shanghai Docks T. 10.....\$ 10,0000		Tls. 9 for year ending 30-4-17.....	8 p.c.
HOTELS, LANDS AND BUILDINGS.			
Hongkong Hotels.....\$ 5,0000		\$3 a/c half year ended 31-10-16.....	8 p.c.
Central Estates.....\$10,0000		\$7 a/c 1916.....	7 p.c.
Hongkong Lands.....\$10,0000		Interim of \$2 1/2 a/c 1917.....	8 p.c.
Humphrey's Estates \$10,0000		50 cents for 1916.....	7 1/2 p.c.
Kowloon Lands.....\$ 5,0000		\$2 for 1916.....	6 p.c.
West Point.....\$ 5,0000		Interim of \$3 a/c 1917.....	7 p.c.
Shanghai Lands T. 6 & T. 72 a.....\$ 10,0000		6 % final making 12 % a/c 1916.....	7 1/2 p.c.
COTTON MILLS.			
Ewoe.....\$ 7,5000		Tls. 9 for year ending 31-10-16.....	5 1/2 p.c.
Shanghai Cottons T. 50.....\$ 10,0000		Tls. 6 div. a/c year ended 30-6-16.....	5 p.c.
Kung Yik.....\$ 10,0000		Tls. 0.90 for 1916.....	6 1/2 p.c.
Yongtsepoos.....\$ 2,5000			
Oriental.....\$ 1,5000			
MISCELLANEOUS.			
China-Borneo.....\$ 15,0000		30 cts. for 1916.....	8 1/2 p.c.
Lights & Power.....\$ 1,5000		1 p.c. for year ending 23-2-06.....	8 p.c.
China-Provident.....\$ 10,0000		cents for 1916.....	
Dairy Farms.....\$ 1,5000		\$2 for year ending 31-12-17.....	13 p.c.
Green Islands.....\$ 7,5000		30 cents for 1916.....	
Hongkong Electric.....\$ 1,5000		\$8 1/2 a/c 1916/17 Bonus 75 cents.....	11 p.c.
Hongkong Gas.....\$ 2,5000		\$2 interim a/c 1917.....	8 p.c.
Hongkong Ropes.....\$ 1,5000		\$1 interim a/c 1917.....	10 p.c.
Hongkong Tramways.....\$ 5,0000		Interim of 9 % a/c 1917.....	8 1/2 p.c.
H.K. Steel Foundry.....\$ 10,0000		\$1 a/c year 21-5-17.....	10 p.c.
Peak Tramways.....\$ 1,5000		7 % for 1916/1917.....	7 1/2 p.c.
do. (new).....\$ 1,5000			
Steam Laundry.....\$ 1,5000		35 cents for year 31-5-17.....	6 p.c.
Union Waterworks.....\$ 7,5000		2 1/2 % for 1916.....	10 p.c.
Waiwong.....\$ 1,5000		10 cents for 1916.....	10 p.c.
William Powell.....\$ 1,5000		40 cents for 1916/1917.....	
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